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James Jackman returned yesterday from his lead mines on the east side of the Wallapai mountains.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Ware and son John, and George Warren paid the Goldroad camp a visit this week.

Robert Hannigan, an old Comstock mining man, is in Kingman looking over the mining possibilities of the county.

Howard R. Zorn, who has been in charge of the Great West mine the past year, departed to his home in Sandusky, Ohio, yesterday.

W. H. Rogers, who has been in charge of the De la Fontaine mine, at Stockton Hill, the past three months, was in Kingman this week.

The total licensed saloons of Yavapai county was decreased by sixty-nine by the new license law. The decrease was generally in roadhouse licenses.

Allen Muter, who has a lease on the tailings dumps of the Klondike mill, was in Kingman several days this week attending to business connected with the starting up of a big cyanide plant to handle the tailings.

Ed Carrow came up from the Colorado river a few days ago. He is still hauling machinery from the high ground on this side of the river to the pump station of the Victor Gold mining company and also to the mines near Vivian.

Henry Lovin has gone to Prescott to purchase or secure teams to haul on the route between Kingman and the Victor mines. So far the contracts call for the haulage of 300 tons of freight and the chances are there will be in the neighborhood of 500 tons.

W. W. Whitney came up from Plan-et Tuesday night and departed to his home in Pasadena the following day. Mr. Whitney believes that the Bill Williams Fork country is to become one of the greatest copper producing sections of the territory.

Arthur L. Thompson, of Vancouver, Wash., wants to know the whereabouts of his brother Hugh Hill Thompson, who is said to have been in Gold Road last December. His mother is very anxious to learn his address. Communicate with this office.

T. R. Garnier went out to Mineral Park a few days ago, accompanied by Recorder Thomas McNeely. They made an examination of the Argo mine, near the summit of Sherum's Peak, which property recently shipped some high grade ore to the smelter.

E. B. Van Deman returned Tuesday last from Los Angeles, where he attended to business connected with his mining ventures in this county. Over at his mines in Weaver district Mr. Van Deman has set up a model camp and is preparing to put in a mill that will handle a large daily tonnage of ore.

Judge W. G. Blakely and Mrs. May Belle Blakely have opened an office in the George building, on Fourth Street. Judge Blakely will attend to his law practice and will also take an active interest in mining. Mrs. Blakely will attend to correspondence in English and Spanish, typewriting and legal work.

J. E. Perry attended the session of the grand lodge of Odd Fellows at Prescott, this week, and reports having had a most delightful time. Owing to illness Mrs. M. E. Cohenour was unable to attend the session of the Rebekahs. Mr. Perry was elected representative to the Sovereign Grand Lodge.

The wife of I. A. Bowen, of Denver, died on No. 2 yesterday as the train was pulling into the Kingman yards. Deceased was in the last stages of consumption and was being taken to her home in Denver to die. The body was taken off here and is being embalmed and will be shipped east tomorrow. Mr. Bowen is travelling engineer of the Santa Fe out of Denver.

Furnished Room to Rent.

A neat and commodious room for rent. Apply to this office.

Col. Thomas Ewing was in Kingman Tuesday and Wednesday making contracts for the hauling of three hundred tons of mining machinery to the Victor mines, where a large tube mill is to be put in shortly. The change of plans from Needles to Kingman was compelled by reason of the rapid rise of the Colorado river, which is now at a height that makes soft and impassable the roads from the ferry landing to the high ground of the mesas, over which supplies will have to be hauled. Col. Ewing informs us that the big power plant at Needles, which is to generate and transmit power for motive purposes at the big pumping plant in the valley and at the mines and mill, is fast nearing completion. The transmission lines over the river have been completed. Sixty foot towers have been erected on each side of the river and anchored in solid concrete. These towers consist of a nest of twenty-inch poles, set deep in concrete close to the river and another nest of poles twenty feet back from the banks, all tied together with steel and wood. These towers are again reinforced by heavy steel cables anchored to heavy concrete deadmen one hundred feet back from the towers. The cables are carried across the river on these towers and heavily anchored, which carries the wires high above the water, allowing the passage of steamers at any stage of the stream. Five miles of wires have been strung through the low valley land and the balance will be strung within the next forty days. The mill is to be one of the first tube plants ever put in in Arizona. It is to be automatic in every detail. Amalgamation and cyanidation are to be the methods of extracting the gold and silver from the gangue and it is expected to make a saving of fully ninety-five per cent. The ore is to be crushed to a two-hundred mesh fineness and the pulp is to be automatically sized, the slimes going through different automatic filters. These filters have a capacity each of 160 tons of ore daily and the pulp is to lie in solution from eight to ten hours. Referring to Needles, Col. Ewing says that it is becoming one of the busiest mining towns of the southwest. The big smelter is handling thousands of tons of ore monthly from the mines of Arizona, Nevada and California and big weekly shipments of bullion are made to the refineries of California and Colorado. The Copper World, which was abandoned a few years ago, is now shipping from 500 to 700 tons of good copper ore to the smelter every month. These shipments will soon be increased to 1000 tons as soon as teams to haul the ore can be obtained. The copper smelter is working successfully and turning out a fine product. The two mines of the smelter company at Cerbat and Stockton Hill are furnishing almost enough ore to keep the lead stack in operation. The smelter has about thirty thousand tons of ore on hand and several carloads are being received daily from the mines of the surrounding country. He believes the mines in and around the Needles are destined to become big producers and that Needles will become one of the richest mining centers in the southwest.

The tide level route of the Santa Fe railroad, which is to pass through or near Parker, is now said to be assured. The Southern Pacific railroad company has taken over the Phenix & Eastern branch of the Santa Fe and is to construct a line through the box canyon of the Gila river, over which a long legal fight has been made by the two railroads, and to a connection with the main line of the Santa Fe at Deming, New Mexico. The Santa Fe is to build a line through from near Wickenburg, by way of Parker, to Bengal, on the main line of the Santa Fe in California. The Southern Pacific railroad is to have trackage rights over this line, while the Santa Fe is to have the same rights over the line from Phenix eastward. The grade of this entire line of road is said to be less than fifty feet to the mile at the highest gradient point. The Santa Fe is to make a connection from Deming with its Texas roads and will reach Galveston on one of the lightest grades of all the railroads across the southern part of the United States. But the building of this line does not mean that the line through Kingman will be abandoned in any degree. This will always be the great scenic route for travel and a large amount of the freight traffic will have to be hauled through here.

Gold Strike a Fake.

Monday last Kingman was thrown into a state of excitement by the report that Fred Brown, George Smith and J. C. Dussall had made a wonderful strike of gold ore in a mine on what is known as the "Mother Lode," at Gold Road. Assays from ore purporting to come from the bottom of a thirty-five foot shaft gave a result of 563\$ gold to the ton. The pulp from the sample did not show free gold, but when treated to acid gave big horning of the yellow metal, and it was to this fact that no knowledge of its value was known to the owners, as they reported that they never had an assay on the rock, depending on horning. We understand that the assayer at Goldroad has stated that he had made many assays from the rock and that it carried but a small amount of gold, which would indicate that the man that gave out the report was aware of the fake. Fake reports of this character do a camp no good and the circulation of such reports should be deprecated by all who have the good of our county at heart. And while it may be true that the sample was salted by some one as a "josh," it is also true that the fact that samples taken from the shaft at various stages in sinking did not give results should have made the owners somewhat skeptical of the big results obtained from the sample submitted for assay to the local assayer. And it is again true that very few miners pulp their ore before sending it to the assayer, preferring that he buck down his own samples in his own way.

We hope that the serious manner in which the people have taken this fake business will have a deterrent effect on future fakes and that should it occur again proper steps be taken to punish the men who give vent to them.

Goldroad has mines of merit, and it is not possible that fakers can injure its standing in the mining world.

Two Cent Fare Legislation.

Anent the recent attempt at regulation of fares on railroads in this territory by the late lamented legislature, it may be interesting to note that the law makers of the following states have expressed themselves on the subject by passing laws reducing fares to the two cent limit. The states legislating on the subject and the action taken follows:

Pennsylvania—Two cent bill passed by the house and is pending in the senate.

Ohio—Two cent law enacted last year.

West Virginia—Two cent bill passed.

North Carolina—Two and a quarter cent bill passed.

Alabama—Two and a half cent bill was passed.

Arkansas—Two cent bill passed.

Kansas—Two cent bill passed.

Nebraska—Two cent law enacted.

North Dakota—Two and a half cent bill passed.

South Dakota—Railroad commission authorized to order two and a half cent rate.

Indiana—Two cent bill passed.

Illinois—Two cent bill passed the house.

Missouri—Two cent bill passed.

Iowa—Two cent bill passed applying to roads earning 4,000\$ a year gross per mile.

Minnesota—Rate of 2 1-2 cents fixed by railroad commission.

The Sheriff reports that so far this year he has disposed of nearly one thousand school tax receipts, a greater number than ever before sold in one year in this county. He also states that he has sold twenty-three retail liquor licenses and three wholesale licenses, which brought 7,125\$ to the county treasury.

W. E. Frost was in from his Wallapai Springs ranch a few days ago. He has just completed the work of shearing his big goat herd and shipped the product to the eastern market.

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